REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1, 6, and 34-40 are currently pending in this application. Claims

1, 6, and 34-36 are amended. Claims 41-45 are new.

Examiner Interview

The Examiner is thanked for granting an in-person interview with the

Applicant's representatives on November 17, 2011. During the interview, the

pending claims were discussed.

Claim Rejection - 35 USC §103

Claims 1, 6, 34, and 35 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being

unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,056,106 to Wang (hereinafter "Wang") in view

of U.S. Patent No. 6,175,308 to Tallman (hereinafter "Tallman") further in view of

U.S. Patent No. 4,954,958 to Savage (hereinafter "Savage"). The Applicants

respectfully disagree.

Wang discloses a method using a spread-spectrum based radiolocation

system using hand-held receiver units and fixed-position reference transmitters for

determining distance and direction between a golfer and key locations on a golf

course (see Abstract). The hand-held receiver receives pseudo-noise coded signals

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from a plurality of transmitters in order to determine a distance measurement on

the course (see Figure 1 and column 4, lines 58-65). Each transmitter broadcasts at

the same RF signal but a unique PN-coded sequence is assigned to each transmitter

(see column 5, lines 32-36).

Each hand-held receiver is provided with a PN code epoch recovery processor

for receiving the PN-modulated carriers of the transmitters. Then, a time difference

measurement processor is used to determine the time difference between the local

code timing epoch and the received, tracked code epoch of each of the transmitted

signals. Based on this information, a distance and direction determination

processor determines the distance between a golfer and a particular target (see

column 6, lines 12-22).

Distance to a particular target is obtained using hyperbolic location

techniques, based on the known coordinates of the transmitters, the known

coordinates of the hole, the known coordinates of a fixed reference point for each

hole, and the arrival time measurements obtained by the receiver by tracking the

four selected transmitter signals (see column 7, lines 53-60). More particularly,

distance is determined using location techniques based on the known coordinates of

four selected transmitters, the known coordinates of the hole, the known

coordinates of a fixed reference point for each hole, and the arrival time

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measurements [t_i], i=1,...,4 obtained by the receiver for tracking the four selected

transmitter signals (see column 7, lines 53-68). Unlike the pending claims, the

location determination technique of Wang requires acquiring and measuring the

time-of-arrival of four transmitter signals relative to a local receiver clock (see

column 11, lines 16-39).

Wang fails to teach or suggest "receiving, at the subscriber unit, the plurality

of spread spectrum signals and determining a plurality of chip timing differences

from the plurality of spread spectrum signals, wherein each determined chip timing

difference indicates a difference in received chip offset between a pair of antennas of

the plurality of antennas" and "determining a location of the subscriber unit using

hyperbolas and the determined plurality of chip timing differences" as recited in the

independent claims.

Tallman discloses a security system that provides accurate, meaningful, real

time monitoring of persons and objects while being further responsive to a number

of alarm conditions (see column 2, lines 55-63). Tallman teaches that a tracking

unit attached to a mobile unit to be monitored to sense and transmit identity,

location, direction of travel and alarm condition information to a computer

monitoring station (see column 4, lines 14-18). The tracking unit is operative to

receive the location signals broadcast by the infrared (IR) transmitters. Upon

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receipt of the location signal, the tracking unit generates a watchdog signal that

carries the two most recently received location signals, as well as a unique reader

identification code, then transmits the watchdog signal on a radio frequency (RF)

signal (see column 6, lines 37-44). The watchdog signal is transmitted using a 900

MHz spread spectrum technology via an internal wire antenna (see column 6, lines

54-56).

Both Wang and Tallman fail to teach or disclose "receiving, at the subscriber

unit, the plurality of spread spectrum signals and determining a plurality of chip

timing differences from the plurality of spread spectrum signals, wherein each

determined chip timing difference indicates a difference in received chip offset

between a pair of antennas of the plurality of antennas" and "determining a location

of the subscriber unit using hyperbolas and the determined plurality of chip timing

differences" as recited in the amended independent claims.

Savage discloses a system that enables a user to determine a desired

geographical route between supplied locations (see abstract). Savage teaches the

use of a central processor to generate routing information directions for travel

between two locations. According to Savage, a user inputs a sequence of numbers

into a system where the sequence of numbers represents a user access code and

location identification numbers corresponding to geographic locations of origination

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and destination (see column 3, lines 39-50). The location identification numbers are

telephone numbers (see column 3, lines 45-46). The central processor then retrieves

the origination and destination identification numbers and correlate the numbers to

geographic locations using information stored in a directory listing database (see

column 3, lines 63-67). The geographic location addresses are communicated to the

user by data display on a terminal or vocally by digitized or synthesized voice (see

column 4, lines 5-7).

Savage merely discloses a method that enables a user to determine a desired

geographical route between supplied locations. Savage fails to teach or disclose a

device that is capable of determining its location. Instead, according to Savage, the

location of a device is only provided after enters a sequence of numbers where the

sequence of numbers corresponds to an address in a database maintained in the

system.

The combination of Savage, Wang and Tallman fails to teach or disclose

"receiving, at the subscriber unit, the plurality of spread spectrum signals and

determining a plurality of chip timing differences from the plurality of spread

spectrum signals, wherein each determined chip timing difference indicates a

difference in received chip offset between a pair of antennas of the plurality of

antennas" and "determining a location of the subscriber unit using hyperbolas and

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the determined plurality of chip timing differences" as recited in the amended

independent claims.

Based on the arguments presented above, withdrawal of the §103(a) rejection

of claims 1, 6, 34, and 35 is respectfully requested.

Claim 36 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S.

Patent No. 3,714,573 to Grossman in view of Wang further in view of U.S. Patent

No. 4,954,958 to Savage. The Applicants respectfully disagree.

Grossman discloses a method in which an apparatus repetitively transmits a

uniquely coded spread-spectrum identification signal. The signal is received at a

plurality of antenna locations and provided to a central station where it is used to

provide information from which the identity of the vehicle is determined. The

received signals are processed at the central station to determine relative

differences in the time of arrival of the signals at each antenna in order to

determine the location of the apparatus (see abstract.)

However, as stated above, both Grossman and Wang fail to teach or disclose

"the plurality of antennas configured to receive location information from a

subscriber unit over a spread spectrum signal, wherein the received location

information is determined using a plurality of chip timing differences from the

transmitted plurality of spread spectrum signals and hyperbolas, each determined

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chip timing difference indicating a difference in received chip offset between a pair

of antennas of the plurality of antennas" as recited in the amended claim 36.

As recited above, Savage merely discloses a system that enables a user to

determine a desired geographical route between supplied locations (see abstract).

Again, as shown in the arguments above, there is no teaching or suggestion to

combine the teachings of Wang and Tallman with the teachings of Savage.

Withdrawal of the \$103(a) rejection of claim 36 is respectfully requested.

Claims 37, 38 and 39 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being

unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,056,105 to Wang in view of U.S. Patent No.

6,175,308 to Tallman in view of U.S. Patent No. 4,954,958 to Savage further in view

of U.S. Patent No. 4.679.147 to Tsuiii (hereinafter "Tsuiii"). The Applicants

respectfully disagree.

Tsujii discloses a navigator in which road map information is displayed on a

CRT and running trace in the direction of movement of an automobile are displayed

while being superimposed on the road map information (see column 1, lines 5-10).

Tsujii provides for a means for setting specified circular areas centered on

respective crossings on road map information and detecting a car which reaches a

particular specified circular area, computing means for computing an angular

difference between an approaching running direction and a destination bearing at

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an entrance to the particular circular area, and running direction instructing means

responsive to computation results for issuing voice instructions which apprize the

driver of a running direction of the car at a crossing associated with the particular

area (see column 1, line 65 to column 2, line 8).

As shown above, Tsujii discloses an internal car solution for determining

location based on the distance the car has traveled and a point of direction. Tsujii

and the combination of cited references fail to teach or disclose providing turn-by-

turn directions from an external source as recited in the pending claims. The

combination of the cited references fails to teach or disclose "providing turn-by-turn

directions in response to the determined location using voice commands, wherein

the directions are provided by the location service" as recited in pending claims 37-

39.

Further, claims 37, 38, and 39 are dependent on independent claims 1, 6, and

35. Based on the arguments presented with respect to the independent claims

above, withdrawal of the §103(a) rejection of claims 37, 38 and 39 is respectfully

requested.

Claim 40 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S.

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view of U.S. Patent No. 4,954,958 to Savage further in view of U.S. Patent No. 4,679.147 to Tsuiii.

Claim 40 is dependent on independent claim 36. Based on the arguments presented above with respect to independent claim 36 and dependent claims 37-39, withdrawal of the §103(a) rejection of claim 40 is respectfully requested.

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Conclusion

If the Examiner believes that any additional minor formal matters need to be

addressed in order to place this application in condition for allowance, or that a

telephonic interview will help to materially advance the prosecution of this

application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone at the

Examiner's convenience.

In view of the foregoing amendment and remarks, Applicants respectfully

submit that the present application is in condition for allowance and a notice to that

effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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